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SUBJECT:PRESS SUMMARY - MARCH 4

1. NYT (PAGE 3) DAVID SHIPLER REPORTS CRITICISM AT THE SOVIET PARTY CONGRESS IS LIMITED TO THE ECONOMY.
  2. WP (PAGE 13) PETER OSNOS REPORTS AMBASSADOR STOESEL, FOR SECOND TIME IN A WEEK, SUMMONED TO MFA TO RECEIVE PROTEST.
  3. SUN (PAGE 12) REPORTS SOVIET WORKERS COMPLAIN TO COMMUNIST CONGRESS OF GOVERNMENT INEFFICIENCY.
  4. SUN (OP-ED PAGE) EDIT "HERESY FROM THE KREMLIN PULPIT" COMMENTS ON BERLINGUER'S ADDRESS TO THE PARTY CONGRESS.
  5. SUN (SPORTS PAGE) AP FROM GOTEBOG SAYS SOVIET SKATERS TAKE WORLD PAIRS TITLE. ALSO OTHER PAPERS.
  6. STAR (PAGE 4) IN WORLD SECTION REPORTS SOVIETS TO PICK PARTY LEADERS.
  7. STAR (OP-ED PAGE) CROSBY NOYES' "NEW RUSSIAN DYNAMISM"
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SAYS BREZHNEV SERVED NOTICE TO WORLD OF DYNAMISM IN

FOREIGN POLICY AND IMPERIAL AMBITIONS AND HE IN TURN SERVED NOTICE BY ITALIAN, FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTIES OF NEW SPIRIT OF INDEPENDENCE. ON LATTER SUBJECT NOYES CONCLUDES IT IS ONE THING FOR THEM TO PLAY THE POLITICAL GAME ACCORDING TO DEMOCRATIC RULES FOR THE TIME BEING, BUT WHAT HAPPENS IF THE GAME IS WON IS STILL ANYBODY'S GUESS.

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1. CSM (PAGE 9) DANA SCHMIDT SAYS FOR AT LEAST 16 YEARS SOVIET UNION, FOR PURPOSES NEVER EXPLAINED, HAS BEAMED LOW INDENSITY MICROWAVES INTO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY -- AND VERY LITTLE, IT SEEMS CAN BE DONE ABOUT IT.

2. CSM (OP-ED PAGE) ELIZABETH POND SAYS IN A BUSINESS-LIKE PREVIEW OF SOVIET ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, KOSYGIN HAS OUTLINED A MAJOR INDUSTRIAL OVERHAUL AND A MUCH STRICTER POLICY ON CONSTRUCTION AND INVESTMENT.

3. CSM (OP-ED PAGE) ROBERT BOWIE'S "DISCORD IN THE MOSCOW CHORUS" SAYS FRENCH AND ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTIES UPSETTING BOTH EAST AND WEST AT SAME TIME AND CONCLUDES IN WEST BEST WAY TO COUNTER THEIR APPEAL IS TO REVIVE A GROWING ECONOMY AND TO REFORM THE CENTER PARTIES TO MAKE THEM MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF THEIR SOCIETIES.

4. CSM (OP-ED PAGE) ROSCOE DRUMMOND ON SAME SUBJECT CONCLUDES IN "COMMUNISM OFFERS A NEW FACE" THAT A FREE SOCIETY AND COMMUNIST TOTALITARIAN ECONOMY CANNOT SURVIVE SIDE BY SIDE AND IF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNISTS ARE PREPARED TO EMBRACE DEMOCRATIC POLITICS, THEY WILL HAVE TO ABANDON COMMUNIST ECONOMIES. KISSINGER

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